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Dear Sir:

On May 18, 2000, we filed the following documents relating to the application identified above: (1) Assignment, (2) Recordation Cover Sheet for the Assignment, (3) Election and Power of Attorney from the Assignee, and (4) Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73 by the Assignee along with (5) a copy of the Assignment.

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Therefore, enclosed please find the following:

- Election and Power of Attorney (2 pages)
- Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (1 page) and copy of Assignment (1 page)
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of the enclosed documents.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 512-347-1611 with any questions or comments, or to otherwise facilitate expeditious prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Edward A. Hubbard

Application No./Patent No.: 09 / 539,107 Filed/Issue Date: March 30, 2000

Entitled: DISTRIBUTED BACK-UP SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED METHOD

Ethergent Corporation, a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

5/15/00

Date

Signature

Edward A. Hubbard

Typed or printed name

Chief Executive Officer

Title

ASSIGNMENT

FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt, sufficiency and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, do hereby:

SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to ETHERGENT CORPORATION (the "Assignee"), a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 11675 Jollyville Road, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78759 the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, filed March 30, 2000, Patent Application Serial Number 09/539,107 and is entitled "DISTRIBUTED BACK-UP SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED METHOD," such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

COVENANT, when requested and at the expense of the Assignee, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all such improvements; execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to the Assignee all facts known to the undersigned relating to such improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which the Assignee shall consider desirable for vesting title to such improvements in the Assignee, and for securing, maintaining and enforcing proper patent protection for such improvements;

TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.

(Signature): Edward A. Hubbard
Edward A. Hubbard

Date: 5/15/00

State of Texas)
County of TRAVIS)

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 15th day of May, 2000, personally appeared Edward A. Hubbard, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Debbie Ferrara
Notary or Consular Officer

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